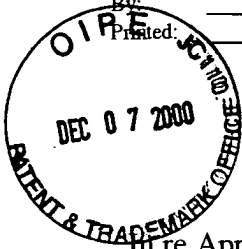


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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 2, 2000 (Office Action, paper number 10), the period of time for response having been extended until December 4, 2000 (December 2 being a Saturday, and December 3 being a Sunday), by the accompanying Petition and fee, Applicants request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claim 18 as indicated below. For the Examiner's convenience, the non-amended pending claims are also listed below.

18. (**Once Amended.**) A purified polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of:

- a) an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1,